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ABSTRACT

This document is a comprehensive list of black presidents and other chief executive officers of majority non-black colleges and universities from 1973 to 2003. The official, the institution, and the year of appointment or beginning of term are provided. The list contains 185 administrators, some of whom held more than one such position. (SLD)

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Introduction

Beginning in the early 1980s, while as editor or the bi-monthly newsletter of the California Black Faculty and Staff Association (CBFSA) I periodically updated a list of black chief executive officers at predominantly white or predominantly non-black institutions where African Americans comprised less than 50 percent of enrolled students. The list expanded considerably over the years as more were given the opportunity to prove themselves as leaders outside their normally assigned realm as leaders of historically black colleges mainly in the southern states.

Actually, the first president of African descent at an historically non-black school was the fair-skinned Patrick F. Healy at Georgetown University in 1873, though hardly anyone at the time knew of his racial pedigree. Nearly a century passed before the next, more clearly identifiable African American was allowed to head a predominantly white school. Of the 63 women and 126 men listed here at 234 schools most were hired after 1990. Quite a few of these administrators have served at more than one institution

In listing college and university chief executive officers we have included presidents (Pres.), chancellors (Chan.), executive deans (E.D.) and provosts (Prov.) who have served as heads of campuses or systems. For purposes of control, persons who had occupied such positions for only an interim term were excluded. The year they were appointed or began serving in their positions is indicated. Here, then, is a comprehensive list that pertains in many ways to the history of higher education and race relations in America.

A Comprehensive List of Black Presidents and Other CEOs of Majority Non-Black Colleges and Universities, 1873-2003

Elaine P. Adams	Pres.	Houston Community College—Northeast Region	1991
Wise Allen	Pres.	Merritt College (CA)	1996
Del M. Anderson	Chan.	City College of San Francisco	1995
	Pres.	San Jose City College (CA)	1991
Stan R. Arterberry	Pres.	West Valley Mission College District (CA)	2002
	Chan.	Solano Community College (CA)	1995
	Pres.	West Valley Mission College (CA	1994
	Pres.	Merritt College (CA)	1993
Sylvan A. Ashley	Pres.	Atlantic Union College (MA)	1996
R. Eileen Baccus	Pres.	N.W. Connecticut Comm. Coll.	1992
Marguerite R. Barnett	Pres.	University of Houston	1990
	Chan.	University of Missouri at St Louis	1986
Marilyn Beck	Pres.	Lord Fairfax Community College (VA)	1988
Jacquelyn Belcher	Pres.	DeKalb College (GA)	1995
Daniel Bernstine	Pres.	Portland State U. (OR)	1998
Mary Frances Berry	Chan.	University of Colorado, Boulder	1976
Deborah G. Blue	Pres.	Laney College (CA)	2000
James G. Bond	Pres.	California State University at Sacramento	1972
Raymond C. Bowen	Pres.	CUNY La Guardia Comm. Coll. (NY)	1989
Earl Bowman	Pres.	Minneapolis Community College (MN)	1980
Joanne Braxton	Prov.	Suffolk Comm. Coll. –East (NY)	1997
Randolph W. Bromery	Pres.	Springfield College (MA)	1992
	Pres.	Westfield State College (MA)	1988

	Chan.	University of Massachusetts-Amherst	1971
Joyce F. Brown	Pres.	Fashion Institute of Technology (NY)	1998
Castell V. Bryant	Pres.	Miami Dade Coll. North Campus (FL)	1997
Warren Buck	Chan.	U. of Washington-Bothell (WA)	1998
Quintin Bullock	Prov.	Tidewater Comm. Coll.-Norfolk (VA)	2002
	E.D.	Monroe Comm. Coll.-Damon (NY)	1996
Walter G. Bumphus	Pres.	Louisiana Community and Tech. Coll. System	2001
	Chan.	Baton Rouge Community College	2000
	Pres.	Brookhaven College (TX)	1991
Calvin Butts	Pres.	SUNY-Westbury	2000
George Campbell Jr.	Pres.	Cooper Union	2000
Helen Carr	Pres.	Contra Costa Community College (CA)	1998
Constance Carroll	Pres.	San Diego Mesa College	1993
	Pres.	Saddleback Community College (CA)	1983
	Pres.	Indian Valley College (CA)	1977
David G. Carter	Pres.	Eastern Connecticut State University	1988
Warrick L. Carter	Pres.	Columbia College (IL)	2000
Leadie Clark	Chan.	North Orange Community Coll. Dist. (CA)	1977
	Pres.	Penn Valley Comm. Coll.	1976
Jewel P. Cobb	Pres.	California State University at Fullerton	1981
Darnell E. Cole	Pres.	Milwaukee Area Technical College (WI)	2001
Thomas Cole	Chan.	West Virginia Board of Regents	1986
Elliott Collins	Pres.	Passaic County Community College (NJ)	1991
Rafael L Cortada	Pres.	Central Ohio Technical College (CA)	1994
	Pres.	El Camino Community College (CA)	1982
	Pres.	Metropolitan Community College (MN)	1974
Douglas Covington	Pres.	Radford University (VA)	1995
Vernon Crawley	Pres.	Moraine Valley College (IL)	1991
Ernest Crutchfield	Pres.	Laney College (CA)	1996
Floyd Cumberbatch	Prov.	Montgomery College-Rockville (MD)	1984
Paula Cunningham	Pres.	Lansing Community College (MI)	2001
Jack Daniels	Pres.	Houston Comm. Coll. System-Central (TX)	1998
Barbara A. Darby	Pres.	Florida Community College-Jacksonville-North	1998
Brenda Davis	Prov.	Riverside Community College-Norco Campus (CA)	1995
Josephine Davis	Pres.	York College-CCNY (NY)	1991
Lawrence Davis	Pres.	Laney College (CA)	1974
Eula S. Dean	E.D.	Yavapai College –Verde Valley (AZ)	1994
Booker DeVaughn	Pres.	Three Rivers Tech. Coll. (CN)	1992
David W. D. Dickson	Pres.	Montclair State University (NJ)	1973
Ned Dofonney	Pres.	Fresno City College (CA)	2002
	Pres.	South Louisiana Community College	1998
	Pres.	Saddleback Community College	1994
James K. Echols	Pres.	Lutheran School of Theology (IL)	1997
Terry Elam	Pres.	Augusta Technical Institute (GA)	1996
Nolen Ellison	Pres.	Seattle Central Community College (WA)	1972
Nathan Essex	Pres.	Southwest Tennessee Comm. College	2001
James H. Evans	Pres.	Colgate Rochester Divinity School (NY)	1990
Vera K. Farris	Pres.	Richard Stockton State College (NJ)	1983
Samuel A. Ferguson	Pres.	Monterey Peninsula College (CA)	1985
	Pres.	Chaffey College (CA)	1981
	Pres.	Canada College (CA)	1979
Richard K. Fields	Pres.	Franklin Institute of Boston	1996

Janet Finch	Pres.	Metropolitan Comm. Coll. (IL)	1996
Harley E. Flack	Pres.	Wright State University (OH)	1993
Elson S. Floyd	Pres.	University of Missouri System	2002
	Pres.	Western Michigan University	1998
Margaret Ford	Pres.	Houston Comm. Coll.-N.E. (TX)	1997
Fred Gainous	Chan.	Alabama Community College System	1988
Dennis Gallon	Pres.	Palm Beach Comm. Coll. (FL)	1997
	Pres.	Florida Community College at Jacksonville-Kent (FL)	1993
Antoine Garibaldi	Pres.	Gannon College	2001
Donald Godbold	Chan.	Peralta Community College District (CA)	1980
	Pres.	Merritt College (CA)	1973
	Pres.	Community Coll. Of Denver-Auraria	1970
Mamie H. Golladay	Pres.	Sullivan Community College (NY)	1997
Milton Gordon	Pres.	California State University at Fullerton	1990
Charles A. Green	Pres.	Houston Community Colleges	1990
	Pres.	Rio Salado College (AR)	1985
	Pres.	Maricopa Technical	1981
John B. Greene	Pres.	Merritt College (CA)	1978
Janis M. Hadley	Pres.	Housatonic Community College (CT)	1996
Bernard W. Harleston	Pres.	City University-NYCC (NY)	1981
Patrick F. Healy	Pres.	Georgetown University	1873
Zelema Harris	Pres.	Parkland College (IL)	1990
	Pres.	Penn Valley Community College	1987
Adam W. Herbert	Chan.	State University System of Florida	1998
	Pres.	University of North Florida	1988
George Herring	Pres.	College of Alameda (CA)	1992
Stanley Hodges	Pres.	Modesto Junior College (CA)	2001
Freeman Hrabowski	Pres.	University of Maryland-Baltimore	1992
Marvalene Hughes	Pres.	California state University at Stanislaus	1994
Jerome Hunter	Pres.	North Orange County Comm. Coll. District (CA)	2000
		San Diego City College (CA)	1993
		San Diego Miramar College (CA)	1989
Shirley A. Jackson	Pres.	Rensselear Poly Inst. (NY)	1999
Herman James	Pres.	Rowan College of New Jersey	1984
Charlene D. Jarvis	Pres.	Southeastern University (DC)	1996
Bernard S. Jefferson	Pres.	University of West Los Angeles	1982
Franklyn Jenifer	Pres.	University Texas at Dallas	1994
	Chan.	Massachusetts Board of Regents	1986
Christine Johnson	Pres.	Cypress College (CA)	1995
Gladys S. Johnson	Pres.	University of Nebraska-Kearney	1993
Marguerite Johnson	Pres.	Delaware Technical Coll.	1994
Odell Johnson	Pres.	Laney College (CA)	1981
Gladys Johnston	Chan.	University of Nebraska-Kearney	1993
Linda Jolly	Pres.	Salem College (NJ)	1994
Clinton B. Jones	Chan.	University of Michigan-Flint	1984
Grace S. Jones	Pres.	Three Rivers Community College (CT)	2001
	Pres.	College of Eastern Utah	1996
Horace A. Judson	Pres.	State U. College-Plattsburgh (NY)	1994
Robert W. Judson	Pres.	Pasco-Hernandez Comm. Coll. (FL)	1994
Augusta Kappner	Pres.	Bank Street Coll. of Ed. (NY)	1995
	Pres.	Manhattan Community College-CUNY	1986
Dorsey Kendrick	Pres.	Gateway Comm. Tech. College (CN)	1999

Willie Kimmons	Chan.	Ivy Tech. State College (ID)	2000
Paul Kirkpatrick	Pres.	Great Basin College (NV)	2002
Thomas G. Lakin	Chan.	Ventura Community College District (CA)	1991
Theodore Landsmark	Pres.	Boston Architectural Center	1997
Sylvan Lashley	Pres.	Atlantic Union College (MA)	1996
Wright P. Lassiter	Pres.	El Centro College (TX)	1986
Wilbert Lemelle	Pres.	Mercy College (NY)	1985
Adena W. Loston	Pres.	San Jacinto Comm. Coll.-South (TX)	1998
James E. Lyons	Pres.	Cal State-Dominguez Hills	1999
Johnny McAlpine	Pres.	Snead State Comm. Coll. (AL)	1997
Sylvester McKay	Pres.	College of Albemarle (VA)	1999
Charles Merideth	Pres.	New York Technical College	1990
Charles Mitchell	Pres.	Seattle Central Comm. Coll.	1987
Muriel A. Moore	Pres.	SUNY College at Buffalo	1996
Yolanda Moses	Pres.	City College of CCNY (NY)	1993
Charlie Nelms	Chan.	University of Michigan-Flint	1994
	Chan.	Indiana University at Richmond	1987
Ivory V. Nelson	Pres.	Central Washington U.	1992
Donnie Nero	Pres.	Connors State College (OK)	2000
Freddie Nicholas	Chan.	Virginia Community College System	1991
	Pres.	John Tyler Community College	1979
Mildred Ollee	E.D	Portland Comm. Coll.-Cascade (OR)	1997
Jerry Sue Owens	Pres.	Lakewood Community College (MN)	1985
Allie Parrish	E.D.	Suffolk County Comm. Coll.-Eastern (NY)	1998
Maryly V. Peck	Pres.	Polk Community College (FL)	1982
M. Lee Pelton	Pres	Willamette University (OR)	1998
Oswell Person	Pres.	Oakland Coll.-Highland Lakes (MI)	1997
	Pres.	Tarrant Community College (TX)	1994
L. Eudora Pettigrew	Pres.	SUNY-Old Westbury (NY)	1986
Donald Phelps	Chan.	Los Angeles Community College District	1988
	Chan.	Seattle Community College District	1980
Roy Phillips	Pres.	Miami Dade-Homestead Campus	1995
Doris F. Pichon	Pres.	Spokane Community College (WA)	2000
Shirley R. Pippins	Pres.	Thomas Nelson Community College (VA)	1994
Frank G. Pogue	Pres.	Edinboro University of Penn. (PA)	1996
Lisa Porche-Burke	Pres.	California School of Professional Psychology-LA (CA)	1992
Glenda D. Price	Pres.	Marygrove College (MI)	1998
George A. Pruitt	Pres.	Thomas A. Edison State Coll. (NJ)	1982
Preston Pulliams	Pres.	Orange County Community College (NY)	1995
Queen F. Randall	Chan.	Los Rios Community College District (CA)	1993
	Pres.	American River College (CA)	1984
Irvin Reid	Pres.	Wayne State University (MI)	1997
James C. Renick	Chan.	University of Michigan-Dearborne	1993
Sidney Ribeau	Pres.	Bowling Green State U. (OH)	1995
Hilda Richards	Pres.	Indiana University-N.W.	1993
F.C. Richardson	Pres.	Indiana University-S.E.	1996
	Pres.	SUNY-College at Buffalo	1989
Charlie Roberts	Pres.	Jackson State Comm. Coll. (TN)	1997
J. D. Ross	Pres.	Joliet Junior College (IL)	1998
James M. Rosser	Pres.	California State U.-Los Angeles	1979
David Sam	Pres.	North Harris College (TX)	2000
T. Scott-Skillman	Pres.	Folsom Lake College (CA)	2001

M. Sconiers-Chapman	E.D.	Des Moines Area Comm. Coll.-Urban Campus (IO)	1990
Allen Sessoms	Pres.	Queens College (NY)	1995
Henry D. Shannon	Chan.	St. Louis Community College (MO)	2000
	Pres.	St. Louis Comm. Coll.-Forest Park	1992
Ruth Simmons	Pres.	Brown University	2001
	Pres.	Smith College	1994
Byron Skinner	Pres.	Palo Alto College (TX)	1990
	Pres.	San Jose City College (CA)	1978
	Pres.	University of Maine-Augusta	1983
John B. Slaughter	Pres.	Occidental College (CA)	1988
Eleanor J. Smith	Chan.	University of Wisconsin-Parkside	1994
Joe Lee Smith	Prov.	Brevard Comm. Coll.-Titusville (FL)	1985
	Pres.	Brevard Comm. Coll.-Cocoa Campus (FL)	1998
Joshua L. Smith	Pres.	Brookdale Community College (NJ)	1987
	Chan.	California Community Colleges	1985
	Pres.	Borough of Manhattan Community College (NY)	1978
Kenneth Smith	Pres.	Chicago Theological Seminary	1984
Rodney D. Smith	Pres.	Ramapo College of New Jersey	2001
Gwen Stephenson	Pres.	Hillborough Community College (FL)	1997
Thomas L. Stevens	Pres.	Los Angeles Trade-Tech College	1976
Stanley H. Stone	Prov.	Valencia Community College-East	1996
Carol Surles	Pres.	Texas Woman's University	1995
	Pres.	Eastern Illinois University	1999
H. Patrick Swygert	Pres.	SUNY-Albany	1990
Abel B. Sykes, Jr.	Pres.	Kings River College (CA)	1984
	Pres.	Lansing Community College (MI)	1989
Lionel Sylvas	Prov.	N. Virginia Comm. Coll.-Woodbridge	1977
F. J. Talley	Pres.	Olivet College (MI)	1999
Ronald J. Temple	Pres.	Community College of Philadelphia	1990
	Chan.	Peralta Community College District (CA)	1999
Ernest Thomas	Pres.	Tarrant County Junior Coll (TX)	1998
Stafford Thompson	Pres.	Enterprise State Junior Coll (AL)	1995
William E. Trueheart	Pres.	Bryant College (RI)	1989
Norma J. Tucker	Pres.	Merritt College (CA)	1982
Richard M. Turner	Pres.	Nashville State Technical Institute (TN)	1988
	Pres.	Lane Community College (OR)	1985
	Pres.	South Central Comm. Coll. (CT)	1982
Edward J. Valeau	Pres.	Hartnell College (CA)	1995
James E. Walker	Pres.	Middle Tennessee State University	1991
	Pres.	Southern Illinois University	2000
Arnette S. Ward	Pres.	Chandler-Gilbert Comm. Coll. (AZ)	1992
Craig S. Washington	Pres.	Pima Community Colleges-West Campus (A	2000
Kenneth Washington	Pres.	City College of San Francisco	1975
Clifton R. Wharton, Jr.	Pres.	Michigan State University	1970
	Chan.	State University of New York System	1978
Tyree O. Wieder	Pres.	Los Angeles Valley College	1995
Janis Wertz-Hadley	Pres.	Housatonic Comm. Tech. Coll. (CN)	1997
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	Pres.	Central Virginia Comm. College	1992
	Prov.	Tidewater Com. Coll. (VA)	1989
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Gregory H. Williams	Pres.	City College of New York	2001
James H. Williams	Pres.	Modesto Junior College	2001
	Pres.	Spokane Community College	1995
	Pres.	Arapahoe Community College (CO)	1999
Blenda J. Wilson	Pres.	California State University-Northridge	1993
	Pres.	University of Michigan-Dearborn	1987
Ron D. Wright	Pres.	Cincinnati State Tech. & Comm. Coll.	1997
Albert Yates	Pres.	Colorado State University	1990

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